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IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Device-A device for automatically adjusting evacuation's means in an orienting and aligning machine in which the evacuation's means are integral with a cylinder wall (4) rotating around a vertical or slanted axis and comprise a plurality of cradles or tanks (2) under which a corresponding plurality of discharge hoppers or channels (3) are placed, characterized in that it provides adjusting means for cradles and vertical channel adapted to allow handling the vessels without knowing a priori the vessel dimensions and the ratios among vessels with different capacity in order to